Introduced by Assembly Member Mitchell

February 22, 2013

An act relating to environmental quality.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1323, as introduced, Mitchell. California Environmental Quality Act: environmental impact reports: wind energy.

The California Environmental Quality Act requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would reduce the time and expense associated with the environmental review of qualifying wind energy projects without affecting the required environmental studies and required mitigation of those studies.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation that would reduce the time and expense associated with
- 3 the environmental review of qualifying wind energy projects

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- without affecting the required environmental studies and required mitigation of those studies.